MICHIGAN VOTES

Michigan Voter Rights and Responsibilities

RIGHTS:

As a Michigan voter, you have the right to:

- ★ Be treated with courtesy and respect by the election workers.
- ★ Vote in private free from interference or intimidation.
- ★ Review a sample ballot before voting.
- ★ Review a summary of the state and federal laws which govern voting.
- ★ Ask for and receive help from the election workers if you are unsure about anything related to casting a ballot.
- ★ Obtain a replacement ballot if you make a mistake when voting.
- ★ Obtain an absentee ballot if you are qualified to vote absentee.
- ★ Vote a provisional ballot if your name does not appear on the registration list and you assert, under oath, that 1) you registered to vote by the registration deadline and 2) you are a resident of the city or township where you are offering to vote.
- ★ Have your minor child (under age 18) accompany you in the voting station while you vote.
- ★ Obtain a ballot if in line when the polls close at 8 p.m.
- ★ Report illegal or fraudulent activity to the local clerk or the Michigan Department of State's Bureau of Elections.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

As a Michigan voter, you have a responsibility to:

- ★ Treat the election workers and other voters with courtesy and respect.
- ★ Respect the privacy and voting rights of other voters.
- ★ Request instructions or assistance as needed if you do not know how to use the voting equipment or have other questions about casting a ballot.
- ★ Be informed about the candidates and proposals on the ballot.
- ★ Check your ballot to ensure that it accurately reflects your choices.
- ★ Read and follow all voting instructions.
- ★ Register at least 30 days before the election.
- ★ Keep your voter registration information up-to-date with your current address.
- ★ Follow all federal and state voting laws.
- ★ Vote in person if you 1) registered by mail and 2) have never previously voted in Michigan. (Does not apply to voters who are age 60 or older, disabled or overseas.)
- ★ Provide identification before voting if you 1) registered by mail 2) have never previously voted in Michigan and 3) have not already satisfied the identification requirement. (Acceptable ID includes a current and valid photo ID or a paycheck stub, utility bill, bank statement or government document that lists your name and address. Requirement does not apply to voters who are disabled or overseas.)
- ★ Refrain from campaigning or influencing voters in the polling place.

To learn more about voting, visit:
michigan.gov/vote

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